

# **CONTINUING (\$111(a)) APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION**

(Bypass Continuation Application Under 35 U.S.C. §111(a))

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## **APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600  
concerning utility  
patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification, Claims & Abstract ..... [Total Pages: 54]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) ..... [Total Sheets: 17] [FIGS. 1A-17B]
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration ..... [Total Pages: 2]
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5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.
  - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
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7. ☒ Incorporation by Reference  
The entire disclosure of the prior application (identified in Item 22) is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
8. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 C.F.R. 1.76
9. ☐ Applicant claims foreign priority benefit to: Application filed
10. ☐ CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
11. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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12. ☐ For publication of assignee information under 37 CFR 1.215(b), list the assignee as . The Assignment papers will be filed later.

## **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

13. ☒ Assignment (cover sheet & document(s)) to FUJITSU COMPONENT LIMITED of Tokyo, Japan  
☒ for publication of assignee information under 37 CFR 1.215(b)
14. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
15. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
16. ☐ Foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed.
  - a. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) filed in prior application No. .
  - b. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) enclosed.
  - c. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) to follow.
17. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
18. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
  - a. ☐ enclosed herewith.
  - b. ☒ incorporated herein (see Box 22).
19. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
20. ☐ Request and Certification for Nonpublication under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent
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**22. CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: PCT/JP02/00677. This is a continuing application, filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), of International Application PCT/JP02/00677, filed January 30, 2002.

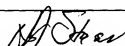
**Preliminary Amendment:**

☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:--This application is a continuing application, filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), of International Application PCT/JP02/00677, filed January 30, 2002.--

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